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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

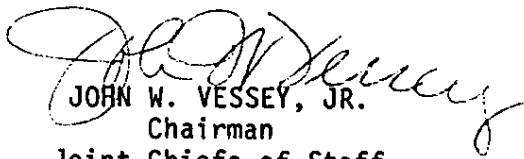
Subject: Senior Review Panel Review of Estimates

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I appreciate your sharing the results of the Senior Review Panel's review of intelligence estimates. I agree with their conclusions.

Your estimates have been extremely useful and timely to me and the Joint Chiefs in our deliberations over the past 2 years. I hope this trend continues.

  
JOHN W. VESSEY, JR.  
Chairman  
Joint Chiefs of Staff

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The Director of Central Intelligence

Washington, D.C. 20505

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17 September 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff

SUBJECT: Senior Review Panel Review of Estimates

The Intelligence Community has a Senior Review Panel composed of former Ambassador to Yugoslavia William Leonhart, retired General [redacted] former Assistant Secretary of State for Economic Affairs [redacted] and [redacted] a distinguished scientist.

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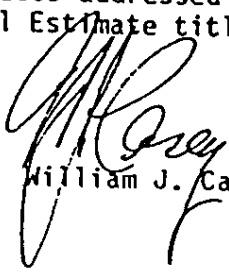
I'd like to share with you its recently completed evaluation of 46 intelligence estimates produced during the first six months of 1982 and those of 1983. They found that 1982-83 estimative production was of extremely high quality in forecast validity and policymaker utility.

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They further stated that 1982 and 1983 production would--in their experience--have met most policymaker needs in timeliness, policy issue relevance, analytical quality, readability, and estimative judgment. Overall, as policymaking support, the Panel said it would regard two-thirds to three-quarters of the papers as "superior to outstanding," with the percentage rising as one moves from 1982 to 1983.

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In case you want to glance through subjects addressed in estimates over this period, I also attach a list of National Estimate titles.

  
William J. Casey

Attachments

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